## VALLES CALDERA NATIONAL PRESERVE

# 2014 NMSU Extension Summer Series

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## <u>Cattle Health - Disease, Vaccines, Trich & More</u>

Dr. John Wenzel, Extension Veterinarian, will talk about cow/calf medicine and preventive health programs for livestock producers in southwest New Mexico.

Date &Time: June 16 from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Location: Valles Caldera Trust's Administrative Office, 090 Villa Louis Martin, Jemez Springs

## Fire on the Mountain

Dr. Doug Cram, Extension Wildland Fire Specialist, leads a tour of the Preserve with an eye for how past fires behaved on the landscape based on fuel conditions, weather, and topography. Multiple stops will allow participants to get on the ground and compare how vegetation communities have responded following different fires and severities.

Date &Time: July 10 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

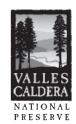
Location: Banco Bonito Staging Area (entrance near mile marker 30 on NM Hwy. 4)
There is a limit of 20 participants. To reserve a seat, email us at recreation@vallescaldera.gov.

## Marketing Objectives/Outcomes-Cattle Industry

Dr. Jerry Hawkes, Extension Livestock Economist, discusses Beef Quality Assurance (BQA), a national program providing guidelines for beef cattle production. This BQA presentation will focus on marketing and potential financial advantages of a more aggressive approach to livestock marketing.

Date &Time: July 23 from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM

Location: Valles Caldera Trust's Administrative Office, 090 Villa Louis Martin, Jemez Springs









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#### **Dates & Times**

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# Reproduction Management - Beef Cows/Heifers

Dr. Marcy Ward, Extension Livestock Specialist, discusses economic & health benefits of reproductive management. Preliminary research findings from an estrous synchronization protocol conducted at the Preserve will also be shared.

Date &Time: July 30 from 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Location: Valle Grande Staging Area (entrance near mile marker 39.2 on NM Hwy. 4)

## Glassing & Field Judging Big Game Animals

Dr. Samuel Smallidge, Extension Wildlife Specialist, teaches novice to intermediate big game viewers about equipment, strategies and techniques for locating and assessing big game animals in the field. This workshop will provide valuable insights into productive glassing for hunters, guides, and photographers. Participants will have an opportunity to try their hand at assessing antlers from a big game animal under field conditions.

Date &Time: August 13 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

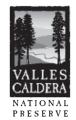
Location: Valle Grande Staging Area (entrance near mile marker 39.2 on NM Hwy. 4)

## Range Monitoring & Assessment

Dr. Nick Ashcroft, Extension Rangeland Management Specialist, will discuss how to measure the amount of grass available for livestock and wildlife consumption. Participants will learn rangeland monitoring methods to use for different levels of experience and time investment.

Date &Time: September 9 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Location: Valle Grande Staging Area (entrance near mile marker 39.2 on NM Hwy. 4)









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